Docket No.: P21-163407M/NY

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Akira YONEOKA

Serial No.:

10/790,217

10/7/0,217 BTR

March 2, 2004

Group Art Unit:

3677

Examiner:

Wilson, Neill R.

For:

Filed:

JOINTING MEMBER FOR FIXING PANEL MEMBERS BY ONE-TOUCH OPERATION

(as amended)

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)

Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions for a three-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action mailed July 7, 2004. A check for the extension fee in the amount of \$1,020.00 is attached. An Amendment responsive to the outstanding Office Action is being filed simultaneously herewith. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiencies in fees and credit any overpayment of fees to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-0481.

Respectfully submitted,

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